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CARDIOMYOPATHY WITH A GLP-1 PEPTIDE

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed January 21, 2004 (hereinafter the "Office Action"), Applicants submit the following amendment and remarks.

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any additional fees other than those provided for in the accompanying documents are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, authorization is given in the accompanying transmittal letter to charge such fees to counsel's deposit account.